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**U.S. District Court
Eastern District of Michigan (Detroit)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:08-cv-14125-DML-DAS**

Fieger v. Federal Election Commission	Date Filed: 09/25/2008
Assigned to: District Judge David M. Lawson	Date Terminated: 02/26/2010
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Donald A Scheer - INACTIVE	Jury Demand: None
Case in other court: United States District Court Eastern District, t: 07-10533	Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act
	Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Plaintiff

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
09/25/2008	1	COMPLAINT filed by Geoffrey Nels Fieger against Federal Election Commission. Plaintiff requests summons issued. Fee Required - Fee Not Paid. County of 1st Plaintiff: Oakland - County Where Action Arose: Oakland - [Previously dismissed case: No] [Possible companion case(s): United States District Court, 07-10533, Judge Zatkoff] (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A - FOIA Request) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 09/25/2008)
09/25/2008	2	Notice of Filing Fee Not Paid (ATee) (Entered: 09/25/2008)
09/26/2008		FEE Received in the amount of \$350.00 for Complaint Filing by Geoffrey Nels Fieger - Receipt No. 002544 [NO IMAGE UPLOADED]. (KByr) (Entered: 09/26/2008)
09/27/2008	3	SUMMONS Issued for the United States Attorney and the Office of the Attorney General. (ATee) (Entered: 09/27/2008)
09/27/2008	4	SUMMONS Issued for *Federal Election Commission* (ATee) (Entered: 09/27/2008)
09/29/2008	5	NOTICE by Geoffrey Nels Fieger <i>regarding Companion Case</i> (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 09/29/2008)
10/02/2008	6	CERTIFICATE of Service/Summons Returned Executed. U.S. Attorney on behalf of Federal Election Commission served on 9/29/2008, answer due 12/1/2008. (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 10/02/2008)

10/13/2008	7	CERTIFICATE of Service/Summons Returned Executed. U.S. Attorney on behalf of Federal Election Commission served on 10/7/2008, answer due 12/8/2008. (Dezsi, Michael)[SERVICE UPON U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL]. Modified on 10/14/2008 (THal). (Entered: 10/13/2008)
10/14/2008	8	CERTIFICATE of Service/Summons Returned Executed. Federal Election Commission served on 10/06/2008. (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 10/14/2008)
10/29/2008	9	ANSWER to Complaint with Affirmative Defenses by Federal Election Commission. (Mueller, Greg) (Entered: 10/29/2008)
10/29/2008	10	MOTION for Waiver of the Local Counsel Requirement in Local Rules 83.20(f) and 83.20(g) as to the Commission by Federal Election Commission. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit (Prior Orders Granting Similar Relief)) (Mueller, Greg) (Entered: 10/29/2008)
10/30/2008	11	NOTICE TO APPEAR: Scheduling Conference set for 12/1/2008 at 9:00 AM before District Judge David M Lawson (FMos) (Entered: 10/30/2008)
11/03/2008	12	ORDER Granting 10 Motion for Waiver of Local Counsel Requirement. Signed by District Judge David M Lawson. (FMos) (Entered: 11/03/2008)
11/21/2008		Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Scheduling Conference reset for 12/10/2008 at 03:30 PM before District Judge David M Lawson (FMos) (Entered: 11/21/2008)
12/03/2008	13	NOTICE of Appearance by Derri T. Thomas on behalf of Federal Election Commission. (Thomas, Derri) (Entered: 12/03/2008)
12/10/2008		Minute Entry -Scheduling Conference held on 12/10/2008 before District Judge David M. Lawson. (FMos) Modified on 12/12/2008 (FMos). (Entered: 12/10/2008)
12/15/2008	14	ORDER Setting Briefing Schedule; (Dispositive Motion Cut-off set for 12/31/2008 -) Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (FMos) (Entered: 12/15/2008)
12/24/2008	15	CORRECTED ORDER Setting Briefing Schedule - Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (FMos) (Entered: 12/24/2008)
12/31/2008	16	MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery by Geoffrey Nels Fieger. (Attachments: # 1 Index of Exhibits, # 2 Exhibit A-FOIA Req Letter 7/3/08, # 3 Exhibit B-FEC Letter 9/30/08, # 4 Exhibit C-Article-Harpers Mag-9/24/07, # 5 Exhibit D-Conciliation Agree MURS 5511-5525, # 6 Exhibit E-Letter Sup Authority 8/4/08) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 12/31/2008)

12/31/2008	<u>1</u> <u>7</u>	EXHIBIT <i>G1,G2-AmTrialLawyersArt</i> re <u>16</u> MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery by Geoffrey Nels Fieger (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit G1-Am Trial Laywers Art, # <u>2</u> Exhibit G2-Am Trial Lawyers Art, # <u>3</u> Exhibit F-Conciliation Agree-MUR 5487) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 12/31/2008)
01/09/2009	<u>1</u> <u>8</u>	NOTICE of hearing on <u>16</u> MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery. Motion Hearing set for 3/9/2009 at 10:00 AM before District Judge David M. Lawson. (FMos) (Entered: 01/09/2009)
01/16/2009	<u>1</u> <u>9</u>	RESPONSE to <u>16</u> MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery filed by Federal Election Commission. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1: Marcus v. Mukasey, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2: U.S. v. Fieger) (Todd, James) (Entered: 01/16/2009)
01/30/2009		Set/Reset Deadlines as to <u>16</u> MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery. Motion Hearing reset for 3/9/2009 at 3:00 PM (from 10:00 am) before District Judge David M. Lawson (FMos) (Entered: 01/30/2009)
02/09/2009	<u>2</u> <u>0</u>	MOTION for Leave to File <i>First Amended Complaint</i> by Geoffrey Nels Fieger. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 02/09/2009)
02/13/2009	<u>2</u> <u>1</u>	ORDER Denying <u>20</u> Motion for Leave to File Amended Complaint. Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (SPin) (Entered: 02/13/2009)
02/17/2009	<u>2</u> <u>2</u>	STIPULATION <i>of Parties to File First Amended Complaint</i> by Geoffrey Nels Fieger (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 02/17/2009)
02/18/2009	<u>2</u> <u>3</u>	MOTION for Leave to File <i>First Amended Complaint</i> by Geoffrey Nels Fieger. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 02/18/2009)
02/19/2009	<u>2</u> <u>4</u>	ORDER Allowing Plaintiff to File First Amended Complaint - Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (FMos) (Entered: 02/19/2009)
02/19/2009	<u>2</u> <u>5</u>	ORDER dismissing as moot <u>23</u> Motion for Leave to File an Amended Complaint. Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (THal) (Entered: 02/19/2009)
02/19/2009	<u>2</u> <u>6</u>	AMENDED COMPLAINT <i>for Injunctive Relief</i> filed by Geoffrey Nels Fieger against Geoffrey Nels Fieger. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Index of Exhibits, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A, # <u>3</u> Exhibit B) (Dezsi, Michael) Modified on 2/19/2009 (PMil).[FILING ERROR - AMENDED COMPLAINT IS FILED AGAINST FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION] (Entered: 02/19/2009)

02/20/2009		Set/Reset Deadlines as to 16 MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery. Motion Hearing reset for 4/16/2009 at 10:00 AM before District Judge David M. Lawson (FMos) (Entered: 02/20/2009)
03/09/2009	2 7	ANSWER to Amended Complaint with Affirmative Defenses <i>Failure to State a Claim Upon Which Relief Can Be Granted and Lack of Subject Matter Jurisdiction</i> by Federal Election Commission. (Todd, James) (Entered: 03/09/2009)
03/16/2009	2 8	RESPONSE to 16 MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery (<i>Supplemental Response</i>) filed by Geoffrey Nels Fieger. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A-FEC-Privilege Log) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 03/16/2009)
03/17/2009	2 9	SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF re 16 MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery <i>and Exhibit In Support of Motion (16)</i> filed by Geoffrey Nels Fieger. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A-FEC Privilege Log) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 03/17/2009)
04/02/2009	3 0	RESPONSE to 29 Supplemental Brief by Federal Election Commission. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1: Email from Michael Toner to Sarah Taylor & Tom Josefiak (July 26, 2008), # 2 Exhibit 2: Ltr. fr. Michael Dezsi, Esq. to Greg Mueller, FEC (Nov. 19, 2008), # 3 Exhibit 3: Bryce v. Overseas Private Investment Corp., No. 96-595, slip. op. (W.D. Tex. Sept. 28, 1996)) (Todd, James) (Entered: 04/02/2009)
04/03/2009	3 1	SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF re 29 Supplemental Brief, 16 MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery (<i>Note: Second Brief</i>) filed by Geoffrey Nels Fieger. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A-Ltr to James Todd-FEC-03-24-09) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 04/03/2009)
04/16/2009	3 2	ORDER Denying Plaintiff's 16 Motion for Leave to Conduct Discovery. SEE IMAGE FOR DEADLINES Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (SPin) (Entered: 04/16/2009)
04/16/2009		Minute Entry - Motion Hearing held on 4/16/2009 re 16 MOTION Leave to Conduct Discovery filed by Geoffrey Nels Fieger before District Judge David M. Lawson. (Court Reporter Rene Twedt) (Ware, L.) (Entered: 04/20/2009)
05/06/2009		Court Reporter Acknowledgment of Transcript Order Form received on 04/29/09. Transcript for court proceeding held on: 04/16/09. Estimated transcript completion date: 05/06/09. Estimated number of pages: 35. Payment arrangements were made on 04/29/09. (Twedt, Rene - 313-963-0837) (Entered: 05/06/2009)

05/06/2009	<u>3</u> <u>3</u>	TRANSCRIPT of Motion for Leave to Conduct Discovery held on 04/16/2009. (Court Reporter: Rene L Twedt) (Number of Pages: 36) Redaction Request due 5/27/2009. Redacted Transcript Deadline set for 6/8/2009. Release of Transcript Restriction set for 8/4/2009. Transcript may be viewed at the court public terminal or purchased through the Court Reporter at (313)963-0837, before the deadline for Release of Transcript Restriction. After that date, the transcript is publicly available. (Twedt, R) (Entered: 05/06/2009)
05/06/2009	<u>3</u> <u>4</u>	Notice of Filing Transcript. (Twedt, R) (Entered: 05/06/2009)
06/15/2009	<u>3</u> <u>5</u>	NOTICE TO APPEAR: Scheduling Conference set for 6/30/2009 at 11:00 AM before District Judge David M. Lawson. (SPin) (Entered: 06/15/2009)
06/30/2009		Minute Entry - Scheduling Conference not held on 6/30/2009 before District Judge David M. Lawson. Status Conference held. (Ware, L.) (Entered: 07/06/2009)
07/02/2009	<u>3</u> <u>6</u>	ORDER setting deadline for filing Dispositive Motions. Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (Ware, L.) (Entered: 07/02/2009)
08/04/2009	<u>3</u> <u>7</u>	STIPULATION re <u>36</u> Order to <i>Extend Time for Defendant to File Its Motion for Summary Judgment</i> by Federal Election Commission (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order) (Todd, James) (Entered: 08/04/2009)
08/07/2009	<u>3</u> <u>8</u>	ORDER Extending Deadline for filing Dispositive Motions re <u>37</u> Stipulation filed by Federal Election Commission. Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (Ware, L.) (Entered: 08/07/2009)
08/21/2009	<u>3</u> <u>9</u>	Ex Parte MOTION for Leave to File Excess Pages <i>for Brief in Support of Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment</i> by Federal Election Commission. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Proposed Brief in Support of Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment, # <u>2</u> Index of Exhibits to Proposed Brief in Support of Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment, # <u>3</u> Exhibit A: Ltr from M. Dezsi to C. Salley (July 3, 2008) and Related Correspondence, # <u>4</u> Exhibit B: Ltr from M. Dezsi to C. Salley (Oct. 27, 2008) and Related Correspondence, # <u>5</u> Exhibit C: Beam v. Mukasey, Doc. No. 130-3, # <u>6</u> Exhibit D: Beam v. Mukasey, Doc. No. 141, # <u>7</u> Exhibit E: Ltr. from M. Dezsi to G. Mueller (Nov. 19, 2008), # <u>8</u> Exhibit F: Bricker v. FBI, Slip Opinion, # <u>9</u> Exhibit G: Declaration of Lawrence Calvert, # <u>10</u> Exhibit H: Excerpts from Hrg. on Pl. Mot. for Leave to Conduct Discovery (Apr. 16, 2009), # <u>11</u> Exhibit I: Vaughn Index) (Todd, James) (Entered: 08/21/2009)
09/03/2009	<u>4</u> <u>0</u>	ORDER granting <u>39</u> Motion to File Brief In Excess of 20 Pages. Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (Ware, L.) (Entered: 09/03/2009)

09/07/2009	4 1	MOTION for Summary Judgment by Federal Election Commission. (Attachments: # 1 Index of Exhibits, # 2 Exhibit A: Ltr. fr. M. Deszi, Esq. to C. Salley (July 3, 2008) and Related Correspondence, # 3 Exhibit B: Ltr. fr. M. Deszi, Esq. to C. Salley (Oct. 27, 2008) and Related Correspondence, # 4 Exhibit C: Beam v. FEC, No. 07-1227 (N.D. Ill.), Doc. No. 130-3, # 5 Exhibit D: Beam v. FEC, No. 07-1227 (N.D. Ill.), Doc. No. 141, # 6 Exhibit E: Ltr. fr. M. Dezs, Esq. to G. Mueller (Nov. 19, 2008), # 7 Exhibit F: Bricker v. FBI, No. 97-2742 (D.D.C. Mar. 26, 1999), Slip Op., # 8 Exhibit G: Declaration of Lawrence Calvert (Aug. 21, 2009), # 9 Exhibit H: Fieger v. FEC, No. 2:08-14125 (E.D. Mich), Excerpts of Tr. of Hrg. on Pl. Mot. for Leave to Conduct Discovery (Apr. 16, 2009), # 10 Exhibit I: Vaughn Index) (Todd, James) (Entered: 09/07/2009)
09/11/2009	4 2	NOTICE of hearing on 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment. Motion Hearing set for 11/23/2009 at 03:00 PM before District Judge David M. Lawson. (Ware, L.) (Entered: 09/11/2009)
10/01/2009	4 3	RESPONSE to 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment (<i>In Opposition to FEC's Motion for Summary Judgment</i>) filed by Geoffrey Nels Fieger. (Attachments: # 1 Index of Exhibits, # 2 Exhibit A-FOIA Letter 7-3-08, # 3 Exhibit B-FEC Letter 9-30-08, # 4 Exhibit C-FOIA Letter 10-27-08, # 5 Exhibit D-FEC-Privilege Log, # 6 Exhibit E-Pl(Dezsi)Letter 11-19-08) (Dezsi, Michael) (Entered: 10/01/2009)
10/15/2009	4 4	REPLY to Response re 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by Federal Election Commission. (Todd, James) (Entered: 10/15/2009)
11/09/2009		Set/Reset Deadlines as to 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment. Motion Hearing reset for 1/26/2010 at 3:30 PM before District Judge David M. Lawson. (Scott-Feijoo, Teresa) (Entered: 11/09/2009)
11/16/2009		Set/Reset Deadlines as to 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment. Motion Hearing reset for 2/23/2010 at 4:00 PM before District Judge David M. Lawson (Scott-Feijoo, Teresa) (Entered: 11/16/2009)
02/22/2010	4 5	NOTICE by Federal Election Commission re 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment of <i>Filing Declaration of Lawrence L. Calvert, Jr.</i> (Attachments: # 1 Index of Exhibits, # 2 Exhibit A: Declaration of Lawrence L. Calvert, Jr.) (Todd, James) (Entered: 02/22/2010)
02/23/2010		Minute Entry - Motion Hearing held on 2/23/2010 re: 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by Federal Election Commission before District Judge David M. Lawson. Disposition: Motion taken under advisement. (Court Reporter: Rene Twedt) (TSF) (Entered: 02/24/2010)

02/25/2010	4 6	NOTICE by Federal Election Commission re 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>Redacted Copies of Documents at Bates Nos. 872-80, 898, 973-74, 1007</i> (Attachments: # 1 Index of Exhibits, # 2 Exhibit A: Redacted Copies of Documents at Bates Nos. 872-80, 898, 973-74, 1007) (Todd, James) (Entered: 02/25/2010)
02/26/2010	4 7	OPINION and ORDER Granting in Part 41 MOTION for Summary Judgment, Dismissing case for want of subject-matter jurisdiction Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (NHol) (Entered: 02/26/2010)
02/26/2010	4 8	JUDGMENT in favor of Defendant Federal Election Commission and against Plaintiff Geoffrey Nels Fieger, dismissing complaint for want of jurisdiction. Signed by District Judge David M. Lawson. (NHol) (Entered: 03/03/2010)

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